

from the upper dairy in past days. Arnold had to get a special permit for the motor coach to travel on this road, because the roads and forests belong to the village or community. Timber is cut in October and November and brought down in the snow on sleighs. Each family is entitled to get their wood supply from the village-owned forest. We passed the forest where Arnold and Alice Wiedmer's grandfather lost his life in an accident while cutting trees.

Now we can see the Kunz Dairies below us. It is a beautiful and breath-taking sight with lush green meadows, the sun glistening on the tall stately pines clumped together in miniature manicured forests, the clean, contented stocky built Simmental cows grazing leisurely in the tall meadow grass dotted with wild flowers. We got off the bus and walked to the summit, drinking in the beauties of our surroundings. It was blue sky weather, a perfect day, and we felt a little closer to heaven. We sang our favorite hymns with great feeling -- "High On A Mountain Top", "Our Mountain Home So Dear", "And Here We Have Idaho", "Oh, Ye Mountains High" -- the name of this mountain is Hinteraerfeten. It is 1825 meters high. We boarded the motor coach after taking many pictures and traveled down the mountain road to the Arnold Kunz family Upper Dairies, which was built in 1972. No one but Uncle Arnold lives here in the winter time. He walks with a cane and stays at the dairy almost the year around. He was born in Russia to David Kunz-Wiedmer, who went to Russia in 1860. He has held many important positions in his Swiss community. As we arrived, Lenny was out in the field gathering some herbs. She waved and came to greet us. She is a Home Economist and teaches school at Oey Diemtigen. After a warm and friendly welcome, we were invited to enjoy a delicious picnic brunch. The table was spread with good food, buns, butter, jam, Swiss cheese and lime blossom tea. I can't remember when food ever tasted better. We did enjoy the picnic and the typical Swiss hospitality of these three friendly relatives. Arnold is